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## **Claims**

1. A method for selecting multiple sets of data in an application, comprising the
steps of:

selecting a first set of data within the application; and selecting a second set of data within the application, wherein the first set of data remains selected during the selection of the second set of data.

- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of performing a predetermined keystroke after the first selecting step, wherein the selected keystroke allows the first set of data to remain selected during the selection of the second set of data.
- 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
  simultaneously copying the selected sets of data; and
  simultaneously pasting the copied sets of data to a predetermined area.
- 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of selecting a first portion of one of the selected sets of data.

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selecting a second portion of the selected set of data, wherein the first portion remains selected during the selection of the second portion based upon a predetermined keystroke; and

manipulating the selected portions.

- 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the first set of data and the second set of data are non-contiguous.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the data is text.
- 8. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of de-selecting a selected set of data.

1	9. A method for selecting multiple sets of data in an application, comprising the
2	steps of:
3	providing an application for manipulating data;
4	selecting a first set of data within the application;
5	performing a first predetermined keystroke; and
6	selecting a second set of data within the application, wherein the first set
7	of data remains selected during the selection of the second set of data.
1	10. The method of claim 9, further comprising the steps of:
2	selecting a first portion of one of the selected sets of data;
27	performing a second predetermined keystroke; and
	selecting a second portion of the selected set of data, wherein the first
5	portion remains selected during the selection of the second portion based upon the
<b>6</b>	second predetermined keystroke.
	11. The method of claim 10, further comprising the step of pasting the selected
2	sets of data to a predetermined area.
1	12. The method of claim 11, further comprising the step of manipulating the

selection portions in the predetermined area.

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- 13. The method of claim 9, wherein the first set of data and the second set of data are non-contiguous.
- 14. The method of claim 9, wherein the data is text.
- 15. The method of claim 9, wherein the application is for writing computer code.
- 16. The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of de-selecting a selected set of data.

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1	17. A method for selecting multiple sets of data in an application, comprising the
2	steps of:
3	providing an application for writing computer code;
4	selecting a first set of data within the application;
5	performing a predetermined keystroke;
6	selecting a second set of data within the application after selecting the
7	keystroke, wherein the first set of data remains selected during the selection of the
8	second set of data based upon the keystroke;
9	selecting a portion of one of the selected sets of data;
	pasting the selected sets of data to a predetermined area; and
	manipulating the selected portion after the pasting step.
	18. The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of copying the selected
<b>2</b>	sets of data, prior to the pasting step.
	19. The method of claim 17, further comprising the step of cutting the selected
2	sets of data, prior to the pasting step.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein the data is text.

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21. A program product stored on a recordable medium for selecting multiple sets of data in an application, which when executed, comprises:

program code configured to select a first set of data and a second set of data within the application, wherein the first set of data remains selected during the selection of the second set of data based upon a predetermined keystroke; and program code configured to select a portion of one of the selected sets of data.

22. The program product of claim 21, wherein the application is an application for writing computer code and comprises:

program code configured to copy the selected sets of data;
program code configured to cut the selected sets of data;
program code configured to paste the selected sets of data;
program code configured to de-select a selected set of data; and
program code configured to manipulate the selected portion.

23. A system for selecting multiple sets of data in an application, comprising.
a set selection system for selecting a first set of data and a second set of
data within the application, wherein the first set of data remains selected during
the selection of the second set of data based upon a predetermined keystroke; and
a portion selection system for selecting a portion of one of the selected sets
of data.

- 24. The system of claim 23, further comprising a manipulation system for manipulating the selected portion.
- 25. The system of claim 23, further comprising:
  - a copy system for copying the selected sets of data;
    a cutting system for cutting the selected sets of data;
    a pasting system for pasting the selected sets of data; and
    an undo system for de-selecting a selected set of data.
- 26. The system of claim 25, wherein the undo system allows a user to de-select a selected portion.